

RABC Executive Meeting held Sept 7, 2016

Attendees: Mike Yee, Mike Conway, Anshuman Tyagi, Jackie Tsang, David Kurtz, Jie Cai, Chris Trothen, Mike Bitten (Club Professional).

Absent: Valerie Duchesneau, Jason Loney, Lachlan Salter.

6:25 pm Meeting called to order.

Old Business:

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Motion made by Mike Yee to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, Motion passed.

Old Business:

2016-2017 Tournament Scheduling: Chris asked that the tournament schedule be forwarded to him so that it can be posted on the website.

2017 Team Tournament: Discussion on the potential event is tabled until Lachlan can be present.

Reciprocal Club Agreements: Valerie has taken a job in Toronto and will be unable to continue as Marketing Coordinator and thus action on this proposal has been suspended.

Report on Membership: Anshuman presented the numbers for the end of July showing that the contribution was slightly higher than budgeted (approximately \$1500). Membership numbers are slightly behind projection at the end of July but are expected to rise in September. The grace period for RA new member fee is not known.

New Business:

Open Houses: Dates have been set and food has been ordered. Oliver Sports has confirmed door prizes and product demo for Thursday Night. Morning Open House will be held on Wednesday, Chris inquired if there would be a product demo or free clinics in the morning. Handbooks and new member vouchers are expected to be available.

Early Renewal Shirts: 160 members have registered in the early renewal period. A list has been prepared for sizing.

Roof Repair: Money for the repairs to the roof was been put aside for the fall.

Handbooks: New Handbooks should be ready soon.

Christmas Tournament: Preparations for the Club Christmas Tournament will need to begin shortly. The question as to whether the dinner can be held outside of the RA has arisen and will be addressed at the next meeting.

Sunday Morning Junior Training Program: The Club will look at expanding the Junior Program to Sunday mornings. The Ladies Doubles Ladder may have to be moved to accommodate both programs. Mike Y will open discussion with Ladies Ladder coordinator.

2017 Summer Membership: Mike Y suggested opening the membership to all ages. The pro-rating of the summer membership should be adjusted and an option for part-time members to upgrade to full membership for the summer will be investigated.

Membership Suspending Update: Chris said that he believed that under the RA's new membership policy that a member could put their membership on hold while they were away for a period of up to 3 months.

Tournament Results: Chris would like results from tournaments so that he can post on the website. He announced that Angelina Lee-Chan and Fei Tam won gold in the over 55 Ladies Doubles Badminton event and Roger Huestis and Shirley Birnboim won silver in the over 65 Mixed Doubles Badminton event and the Canadian Senior Games. Lynne Burns won gold in the over 65 Ladies Singles Badminton event at the Americas Games.

Locker-room Complaints: Chris has received complaints about broken lockers in the locker rooms that have not yet been fixed. He has given a list of locker numbers to the office.

Morning Tournament: A tournament for morning players will be arranged for September 16th, 2016.

RA Renovations: Chris expressed concern that West wing renovations might cause a demand for other activities to take over the badminton courts.

Retail Space: Chris said that there was a plan to open an equipment shop on the lower level in the squash pro office.

Open House Announcement: Chris said that the RA had removed a Facebook post announcing the Open Houses without consulting him.

Club Announcements: Jie inquired about contacting members to survey opinions regarding Club scheduling. The RA can do email blasts to members regarding general announcements.

Motion to Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 7:13 pm.